

AMERICAN WOMAN IS HONORED IN SERBIAN TRENCHES

SERGEANT RUTH S. FARNAM, the first American woman soldier, who fired a fieldpiece at the Austrians before Brod.



Sergeant Ruth S. Farnam was not one of the "Battalion of Death"; her entrance into the turmoil of the war was rather in the guise of a private in the "Battalion of Life". Some one declared after hearing her lecture that this was certainly not a Ruth-less war. It has been said that she knows everybody and that everybody knows her—not in America only, but also in Europe and other parts of the world. It must have been this wide acquaintanceship that got her interested in the war, from all angles—first as nurse, then in charge of relief work on the ground, and finally as a soldier.

In private life she is Mrs. Charles H. Farnam and she tells us her real age is forty-four. Born in a sleepy Long Island town, she married and went to England, where her husband had extensive business interests. At his death, she settled down in a magnificent country estate to live a peaceful life, with all the comforts that a considerable fortune can command.

A social call on a friend in Belgrade suddenly changed all her ideas on life. This was during the Bulgarian war, and the thousands of soldiers came back to her with tales of the horrors of war-torn bodies. When she went back home, she carried with her a lasting love and respect for the brave Serbian soldiers.

An American at heart, she fretted at the long continued neutrality in the present war. She decided, however, to do her bit, and sold her lovely estate to serve personally. She was in the typhoid epidemic, and wherever she went there was anything going on, then back to America she came and raised enormous sums by lecturing for the refugees; then again to Macedonia to supervise the extensive task of distributing the relief supplies.

Arrested as a spy
In Italy she was arrested as a spy. In these troublous days it is natural to look with suspicion on a woman of unquestionable personal charm, traveling alone. She tells us an amusing story in connection with this arrest. The weight of her credentials carried the day, and they allowed her to go after a thorough personal examination. "Thinking it wise," she relates, "to show how dignified I could be under adverse circumstances, I sat with my head high, smiling, but with a hot red spot on either cheek, only to be followed by a roar of laughter. On reaching my compartment, I found that the desired effect had been rather dashed by the fact that a yard or two of pink ribbon trailed behind me from a forgotten bow, and this had in some way become entangled with a greasy paper bag, so that my happy progress must have resembled that of an indignant kite." This is the woman of it.

On the battlefield
When the Allies made their plans to recapture Serbia in 1916, she was the first woman to enter reconquered Serbian territory. She went up to the front lines, was extended an invitation to visit the Headquarters Observation Post in No Man's Land, and later fired the first shot for the commencement of the battle of Brod, which continued for five weeks, till the Allies reached Monastir, where they stand today. Sergeant Farnam writes: "In the name of American womanhood, I gave the signal which sent shells roaring over the valley to fall into the Bulgarian trenches and as the awful fountain of dust and blood and fragments spouted into the air, I shouted: 'The women of America serve Serbian women by my hand.' "You ought to have been a soldier," declared the commander-in-chief. "Make me one," snapped back Mrs. Farnam and thereupon out in No Man's Land in the thick of the battle, she was made a sergeant of the Royal Serbian Cavalry.

Decorated by King
During her service in Serbia, she was

decorated three times by the king—with the Order of St. Sava, with the Order of the Royal Serbian Red Cross and with the Order of Kosovo, for personal service to the wounded in battle.

The king asked her to come to America to help Serbia, so Sergeant Ruth is now lecturing throughout the country. Her lecture is intensely interesting and so popular has she become, that at a recent meeting at the Brooklyn Academy of Music eight thousand people were turned away from the doors, unable to get seats.

BOLSHEVISM NOW DRAWING TO END
Soviet Governments Being Overthrown By Moderates and Leaders May Soon Flee

LONDON, August 12.—(Associated Press)—Rapid growth of the anti-Bolshevik movement is reported in telegrams coming from various parts of Russia. It is reported that Lenin and Trotsky are preparing for the eventuality of their overthrow and have plans to seek a refuge in Germany if occasion shall demand.

Accounts contained in recently received Russian newspapers, Exchange Telegraph correspondence and despatches reaching Copenhagen all alike indicate that the end of Bolshevism is at hand and that already the soviet organization has virtually gone to pieces. These messages also say that Lenin and Trotsky recognize the seriousness of the conditions which confront them and have made preparations to flee without delay to Germany when they are convinced their position is no longer tenable.

Counter revolutions have broken out, the Petrograd Investigator, in a late issue of that paper reports. It says these have gained important headway in several towns in "that part of Russia that is not occupied by enemies." The soviet governments in these places have been overthrown and replaced by committees consisting of representatives of the Mensheviks, the moderates.

Stockholm despatches say that the British and French consuls who were recently arrested by the Bolsheviks have been released through the efforts of the representatives of Sweden in Moscow.

SALVATIONISTS TAKE CARE OF WAR GRAVES
PARIS, July 22.—The Salvation Army in France does more than furnish the boys with goodies "just like mother used to make." There is another branch of their work which finds a sympathetic response in the families of men, and that work is the decoration of the graves of fallen soldiers. On Memorial Day over 1000 graves were thus remembered. The Salvationists plant the flags sent by the mothers in the graves of their sons, often under shell fire, and write the mothers a description of the spot where their sons lie.

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YANKEE TANK FORCE ENGLISH TRAINED

Great Things Expected By Instructors — All Picked Men and Machines Are Best

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN ENGLAND, July 28.—(Associated Press)—Another consignment of American man power that might be labelled "Made in England" is ready for shipment to the Western front. It is the personnel of the first American tank battalion.

Trained by veterans of the British tank service, and equipped with the most modern of the land warships, the new force is expected to give an excellent account of itself. The British coaches of the American crews have expressed their approval of the manner in which their pupils have adapted themselves to the operation of the machines, and, unless they are mistaken, the man whose training in England is just being completed will be given enviable poles. Their machines have the best points of both the British and French tanks and the training of the men has been in the light of experience already gained by the fighters of France and England.

Learn of Mistakes
To every man in the American outfit there have been imparted the stories of mistakes made in the early history of tank warfare. Exalted men and officers have been told what to do and what not to do; all their admonitions have been based not on theory but on actual experience, gained in the face of German fire, loosed always upon the slightest intimation that the tanks are lumbering to the front.

But as a reminder, perhaps, that the enemy's fire is seldom effective in the insignia adopted for the American tank corps—two salamanders, crawling creatures that worm their way unharmed through the flame and smoke.

It is expected that because of the excellence of the weapon with which it will fight and the training it has undergone the American contingent will prove itself exceptionally efficient; for, even as the American engineers have been careful to combine in the American tank the best features of those now used by the British and the French, so have the instructors of the personnel been scrupulously careful to inculcate the most advantageous methods of offense and defense.

All Picked Men
Further cause for believing the American tank corps will live up to the estimate of the British instructors is the character of its personnel, both men and officers. They are carefully selected men, picked from the thousands who volunteered when the call for tank men was issued. Two basic requisites were insisted upon: first, every man must be physically fit, and second, temperamentally adaptable. The training every man has received has meant either that he is delivered to the commanders at the front as a wonderfully efficient unit or is mercilessly thrown out of the service. He is turned over to the fighting line as an expert mechanic, a man whose sole duty is to operate the machine guns and heavier ordnance, a tactician and strategist, and, finally, as a man with no evidence of "nerves."

British trainers at the little country town where the Americans have been coached have been careful to explain to the men, as they worked out the unit, that those not temperamentally suitable, that only the best can be used. There is perhaps no branch of the army service that makes a greater demand on the physical endurance of the man than the tank service, and certainly none calculated to test the nerves more for within the very small fighting space there is combined the roar of the heavy ordnance, the rattle of the machine guns, the acrid smell of burning powder, and the suffocating fumes of burning oil and gasoline. Into this little space, not more than eight feet long, and four or five wide and with a ceiling so low that a man cannot stand upright, there is crowded the crew.

Actual Conditions
The actual experiences of the British instructors, many of whom were in the first tanks used in the war, have been reproduced in the most minute detail for the instruction of the Americans. Little has been left to the imagination; the practical has been substituted for the theoretical. Huge shell holes dug out with pick and shovel, blasted by mines as though by the German shells, have torn up the training field; trenches identical with those that mark the battlefields of France are other obstructions that tanks encounter have been built and it is over these and drilled until, in the opinion of their instructors, they are prepared to take their places on the line.

Practical problems of getting out of tight places have been provided, and in anticipation of some of the predicaments that may be encountered careful instruction in reconnaissance work has been given. Strenuous work in target practice has been a daily schedule. Indeed almost the only experience not yet undergone by the Americans is the pounding of the German fire.

Use of Compass
Another bit of training the tank men has had is in the use of the compass and just as a lesson demonstrating the reason for this they have been given the experiences of handling the tank at night when the analogy between these land warships and those of the sea is seen.

Although the Americans have been trained in British tanks it is not expected they will find any trouble whatever in operating the newer American machines. The differences is between the two tanks are technical and have to do with the mechanism but they are not critical. The fighting and operating principles are the same and it is expected that the Americans will handle the other, much as the pilot of one make of automobile can easily learn to drive another type.

FOCH NOT BOTHERED BY NOSEY KAISER

Plans New Battle While Conducting Another, and Is Plain As An Old Hoe

LONDON, July 25.—Nothing since the war started has put Allied Europe in such fine spirits as Foch's reappearance in his own proper role. He has been lying "dogged" all these months, awaiting a good opening and the arrival of American reinforcements, but he never drifted a minute. To Foch, the student, philosopher and master strategist, the present battle has been a wonderful opportunity. In the darkest hours he never was depressed. There never was the slightest bustle around his headquarters.

One of our American generals called there one day when the action was at a critical stage. After offering salutations he was about to leave, but the generalissimo insisted upon his staying the whole afternoon, during which they discussed general matters.

On Foch's table the whole battle is laid out and while his generals are fighting one action he is preparing another. He can figure pretty closely what Ludendorff will do in given circumstances. The matching up of brains between these two opposing leaders has become a feature of the war, now that the forces are about equal, and the Germans have ceased to monopolize the offensive.

No Kaiser To Hinder
Foch has one clear advantage of his rival. He has no Kaiser nosing about. Correspondents, formerly attached to the German headquarters tell me the Kaiser made himself an awful nuisance, and Hindenburg and Ludendorff resort to all sorts of subterfuges to mitigate the inconvenience and injury of his constant interference with military matters.

Foch had his difficulties at the outset, but his grip has steadily tightened and after May 27 he perfected the organization and assumed more control. Though a strict disciplinarian Foch is an excellent diplomat and gets on well with all his associates. Only such a man could have ironed out all the difficulties inevitably attendant upon putting a generalissimo in charge.

From now on our unity should work more smoothly than Ludendorff's. Foch has gained full confidence and all the Allied governments will back him up to the limit.

Fortunately he is not a man to abuse power. He has as much tact as firmness, and with all his remarkable vision, his feet are always on the ground. He is as plain as an old shoe, entirely without military airs and delightful free from egotism. Thorough preparedness and quick action is the conviction he believes in. To quote one of his expressions: "Victory always goes to those who merit it by superior force of intelligence and will."

Such are comments one hears everywhere in London. Not even Paris rejoices more heartily in the success of this real soldier, whose motto might be his words: "Be loyal. Ever be more bold. He not too bold."

HAWAII GETS BOOST ON MARNE WHEN INDIANS SWIM

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY ON THE AISNE-MARNE FRONT, July 22.—The American Indians in France quickly adjusted themselves to the conditions of the country. They soon became just as cunning as their native allies. This is illustrated by an incident when the Germans were with raving across the Marne. Indian scouts, with Americans, were sent over the river. At one crossing three Indians improvised a raft and chained it to the north side of the Marne. They did not then start on an exploring expedition. The Germans recovered the strange foot prints on the river bank and came upon the raft, they awaited the Indians' return. But after reconnoitering the Indians approached their hidden raft cautiously and, without a word, made a hasty retreat.

The Germans realized that these strange red men were not of their kind, and must, therefore, be an enemy, and began firing. The Indians ran through the woods like deer and finally struck the water in an endeavor to reach the south side.

These Indians, reared along the river, swim like Hawaiians and are able to remain below the surface for long time. The Germans saw splashes in the water and began firing. The Indians dived and swam downstream under water. When they came to the surface for air they brought up a handful of clay, which they had grabbed from the river bottom, and with this they camouflaged their hands and faces, while on the surface for a brief breathing spell.

Finally the Indians reached the south bank far below the Germans, the current assisting them very materially. When they crawled back and peered through the bushes and watched the Germans seeking the bronzed figures, they apparently had been drowned. The Germans, thoroughly angered, shot the raft to pieces.

FLOURLESS LOAF
AMSTERDAM, August 12.—(Associated Press)—Experiments to perfect a flourless loaf to take the place of bread have been recently conducted in Germany, according to word received in Amsterdam.

Advised from Berlin, says that the German Food Control Commission has successfully carried on the experiments with the result that bread of a flour was made. The experiments are said to have been satisfactory. The formula for the new bread substitute not given.

SPORTS

BOSTON LOSES THIRD IN ROW TO YANKEES

Red Sox Seem To Have Struck Snag On Eve of Attaining Their Goal

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	107	63	44	.588
Cleveland	107	61	46	.578
Washington	105	57	48	.543
New York	104	53	51	.510
Chicago	104	49	55	.467
St. Louis	102	46	56	.451
Philadelphia	102	46	60	.434
Detroit	101	45	59	.433

Yesterday's Results
At Boston—New York 2, Boston 1.
At Cleveland—Cleveland 11, Chicago 2.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 1, Washington 1; called on account of rain.
No other game played.

How Series Stands
New York 3, Boston 0.
Chicago 1, Cleveland 1.
Philadelphia 1, Washington 1.
Detroit 0, St. Louis 0.

Today's Games
Washington at Philadelphia.
New York at Boston.
No other games scheduled.

It seems incredible that the Yankees, who had been losing game after game, should bolster up their cause even at this late day and take the fierce and warm Red Sox, American League leaders, three times into camp in succession, but the fact remains that all this is true.

Having won a double-header from Boston on Saturday night in the heart of the Hub, the New York Americans yesterday, after a day's rest on Sunday, returned to the fray and once more defeated Boston, 2-1, in a very close game. The Red Sox have not been able to take a game from their distinguished visitors in the whole series.

Playing at home in Cleveland, the Reds handed out a severe castigation to the White Sox, 11-2, making the series even, one all.

Rain Draw Score In Philadelphia
The Athletics and Senators, playing at Philadelphia, had their game called on account of rain when the score was one all. Detroit and St. Louis did not play, having closed their series on Sunday. Only two games are scheduled for today, bringing the complete series to an end. Wednesday (tomorrow), Thursday and Friday, for the new series Chicago will play at Boston. St. Louis at Philadelphia, Detroit at Washington and Cleveland at New York.

Detroit is again comfortably second in the cellar; the Tigers are never happy but when dwelling in the dark and damp pit, Philadelphia is out from the whole. Otherwise, the teams maintain their former positions. Boston, leading the circuit, is but two full games ahead of Cleveland, while the latter is three full games ahead of Washington. The Yankees are three and a half games behind Washington.

Some League Notes
WAKEGAN, Illinois, July 25.—Urban (Red) Faber, former pitcher for the White Sox, will be initiated into Wakegan lodge of Elks August 7. Faber is now at Great Lakes.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 26.—Ban Johnson, president of the American League, here today said he was immensely pleased with the "work or fight" baseball decision of Secretary Baker. "The major leagues will play their last games September 2, Labor Day, and the world series immediately will be staged," said President Johnson.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 26.—August Herrmann, chairman of the national baseball commission, when informed of the decision of Secretary Baker that the work or fight regulation would not apply to baseball play until September 1, said he was very much pleased. "That is fine and it pleases me very much," said Mr. Herrmann.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 24.—The Cleveland New York American League teams could have played this afternoon, but called the game off when a few raindrops fell about one o'clock. "We didn't want to risk the chances of having to redeem rain checks if showers later interrupted the game, and Secretary Baker's ruling should bring the season to a sudden conclusion," said Vice President Barnard.

DULUTH, Minnesota, July 26.—In the present scramble to secure star ball players for the team of the Lakes League, one notable acquisition was reported today by officials of the River side shipyard of the Mesaba League. The shipyard stated they have obtained the services of "Runny" Brief, first baseman. Brief has played with the St. Louis Americans, Pittsburgh Nationals, and the Chicago White Sox.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 28.—Charles Pick, San Francisco third baseman, was said yesterday to the Chicago Cubs and is to report to them next week in New York. Pick is to get a liberal salary and a commission both ways. If he is retained by the Cubs, Charles Weckman is to pay the local baseball association for him. It is stipulated that Pick is to get a full share of the world series money, provided the Cubs win the pennant and the world series is played.

Boston Club President Pau
TORONTO, Ontario, July 23.—Pitts and Brooklyn played an exhibition game, the Senators winning, 5 to 2. Brooklyn met Miller for four runs and the game. Jake Daubert did not play, owing to the death of his father.

PIRATES CHEW UP NATIONAL LEADERS

Chicago, Cubs Given Sound Thrashing At Hands of Hugo Bezdek's Pittsburghers

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	102	66	36	.647
New York	104	61	43	.587
Pittsburgh	101	54	47	.535
Philadelphia	101	47	55	.465
Brooklyn	101	46	55	.455
Cincinnati	101	46	55	.455
Boston	103	46	57	.447
St. Louis	107	44	63	.411

Yesterday's Results
At Chicago—Pittsburgh 12, Chicago 1.
At St. Louis—St. Louis 3, Cincinnati 1.
No other games played.

How Series Stands
St. Louis 3, Cincinnati 0.
New York 2, Boston 0.
Brooklyn 1, Philadelphia 1.
Pittsburgh 1, Chicago 0.

Today's Games
Boston at New York.
Philadelphia at Brooklyn.
Pittsburgh at Chicago.
No other game scheduled.

An awful thrashing went the way of the Chicago Cubs, National League leaders, yesterday when the Hugo Bezdek Pirates, playing in the White City, defeated the Fred Mitchell team by the one-sided score of an even dozen runs to one. This was the first game the two clubs have been able to play in the present series. However, Chicago remains still six full games ahead of the Giants, New York having played two games more than Chicago.

The only other National League game played yesterday and which was staged in St. Louis, resulted in a victory for the Cardinals over the Reds, by the close score of three runs to none. St. Louis has won both games played so far in the series.

Some Changes Registered
The Giants did not play yesterday, the series standing two games in favor of New York, Boston having been unable to make any impression on the league runners-up. Neither did Brooklyn and Philadelphia play, the series standing one all to date.

Brooklyn has gone up into a tie with Cincinnati at fifth place. Philadelphia has gradually worked up from sixth to fourth place, being now seven full games behind Pittsburgh, while the latter is five and a half games behind the Giants.

NEW YORK, July 26.—Secretary Foster of the New York Giants on learning tonight of Secretary Baker's decision to halt baseball on September 1, expressed himself as pleased, saying the extension of time would enable the National League clubs to clear up their business.

ST. LOUIS, Missouri, July 25.—Walter H. Holke, first baseman of the New York Giants, has been ordered by the district board here to get essential employment or be inducted into the army. Holke was formerly in Class 4.

Toney Kicks Against Orders
CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 23.—Pitcher Fred Toney of the Cincinnati Reds said today he would refuse to report to the New York Giants to whom he has been sold. Toney said he was not consulted about the deal and that he wanted part of the purchase price. He left for his home in Nashville, Tennessee.

PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania, July 24.—President Barney Dreyfuss is beginning to fortify himself against the "work or fight" order. He has reengaged Charles (Babe) Adams, hero of the 1909 world's series, who won fourteen games and lost three for Kansas City in the American Association.

Adams beat the Tigers in 1909 three times by scores of 14 to 1, 8 to 4, and 8 to 0. He was released in 1916, when Jimmy Callahan was manager of the Pirates. He is thirty-five years old. He will join the Pirates in New York this week.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 26.—The Murphy theater party in Wilmington, Ohio, built at a cost of \$250,000 by Charles W. Murphy, former owner of the Chicago Cubs, was dedicated yesterday while the city of Wilmington officially observed the event as a holiday by the mayor's proclamation. The theater is a tribute of Mr. Murphy to his native city in honor of his mother, who resides there.

Will Be Conducted By a Board of Trustees
A change in the present system of management of the Japanese hospital was decided upon by the directors of the Japanese Charity Association of Hawaii at a recent meeting.

According to the new arrangement the hospital will hereafter be conducted by a board of trustees instead of a superintendent as heretofore. The board of trustees will be composed of eleven members, three of whom are to be elected from among the directors of the Japanese Association (five from the Association itself and three from the Japanese Medical Society of Honolulu). The election and approval of the trustees are scheduled for the annual meeting of the association which is to be held at about September 15.

A movement is already on foot among the members of the association to present to Dr. K. Haida, who was the superintendent of the hospital for years, some suitable token in recognition of his faithful service.

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AVIATORS DROP BOMBS AND CAUSE EXPLOSION

LONDON, August 12.—(Associated Press)—Important air raids were conducted by the British aviators against Karlsruhe yesterday. Tons of explosives were dropped and an explosion at the railroad station was noted, buildings being destroyed and a considerable damage apparent.

GOLD RESERVE GROWS

WASHINGTON, August 11.—(Official)—Announcement is made by the federal reserve banking board in its weekly statement that the gold reserve held by the federal reserve banks has increased \$680,000 in the last year. It now amounts to \$1,990,301 and is still growing.

WILL BUILD BARGES

WASHINGTON, August 11.—(Official)—Contracts for the construction of eighteen wooden ships have been recently let it is announced by the shipping board which also announces the letting of contract last week for a Pacific Coast shipyard for the building